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INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS FOR OVERHEAD PHOTOGRAPHIC RECONNAISSANCE OF CUBA

- The intelligence needs of the Executive Committee of the National Security Council with respect to Cuba have been noted by the United States Intelligence Board. A reasonable program for photographic reconnaissance of Cuba calls for high-level coverage of approximately twenty high-priority targets once a week and surveillance of all priority targets at least twice a month.
- Low-level photography will be needed when high-level photography 2. or other intelligence sources reveal ominous or suspicious activity that cannot be fully assessed without larger-scale photography, or when weather or other factors preclude high-level coverage of the high-priority targets at least every week. In addition, low-level missions should be flown if it is impossible to secure adequate high-level photography reasonably soon after the arrival of large hatch freighters in a Cuban port and in the absence of other satisfactory intelligence.

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